

Muir Community Council Agenda

January 12, 2011

Muir Elementary Media Center 8:00 p.m.

Conducted by Derek Sainsbury

Welcome: Derek

In attendance: Jan Rawlins, Kristen Robinson, Lindsey Smith, Nancy Lima, Mikel and Jason Curry, Derek Sainsbury, Liz Mumford, Jeanette Peterson, Alaine White

Present minutes from November meeting: Liz Mumford

Motion to approve by Jason, 2nd by Jan, approved

PTA Minute: Lindsey Joy Smith

Service completed with 700 kits created for delivery to Africa
Geography and Spelling bees were successful events
Grade Level grants were approved at the PTA earlier this evening
Junior Achievement and SEP teacher dinners upcoming

Principal's Report: Jan Rawlins

- **Review Fundraising efforts... distributed spreadsheet of revenues
- **Traffic Issues... reviewed snow removal issues resolved with the district
- Discussed the possibility of a safety officer periodically present to issue citations and reminders... parents continue to disregard the policy... Jason will pursue this issue
- **District will move to central server this summer... discussed implications to AR program. Council members encouraged to talk to community and get a vibe on parents' perceptions and value of AR. Jan will discuss the issue with the faculty and this will be an agenda item at the next meeting.
- **DBLS reports to parents at next SEP
- **Adopt a Book... Fundraising committee interested?? Liz will get in touch with Stephanie Miner to review the topic for next meeting. (make an agenda item in February)
- **Arts grant due... Amy suggested that the arts committee needs to meet first, include a PTA rep, and come up with a better plan prior to submission.
- **Chinese Immersion Open House was successful...there are 56 openings and applications will be accepted through 3/29
- **Kindergarten Roundup is in progress
- **New literacy coach at the district level, our school literacy aid has been assisting with the DBLS testing.
- **Our school math aid is working out well... she is on a three week rotation to different grade levels and has a focused approach to basic skills with the kids identified to be pulled out.
- **Projectors installed in all classrooms and library!

Committee Reports: Committee Chairs

Fundraising: No one present... need to determine a fundraising goal and approach for next year, need to improve coordination with PTA to prevent overlap.

Curriculum: Discussion about effectiveness of Math initiative... determined to continue program... possibly adjustments include focused efforts in the third grade, switching to afternoon recess to involve sixth graders, coming in twice a month with a larger volunteer pool. Also in need of prizes, funding, a larger final incentive.

Community Outreach:

Grants still out there: Lowes, Barnes and Noble, and Walmart

Heidi Busk needs field trip funding for her veterans program. (possible donors: Field Trip Factory, Target, United Women's Forum, local VFW)

Other Business or Issues:

Nancy Lima is compiling information for the SNAP plan... several areas of concern were noted at the meeting and she would like other issues reported to her. (noted: cars obstructing kiddie walk entrance, sidewalk and school zone signs on 2150)

Next Meeting: February 9, 2011 @ 8 p.m.

Minutes of tonight's meeting will be emailed to the committee by Liz and then be posted the school website by Jan.